

Nathaniel Macon to Andrew Jackson, December 22, 1794, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

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Philadelphia, December 22, 1794.

Sir, Your letters of the 16th of May and the 26th of August have been received, and proper attention shall be paid to their contents. The report on your petition would have been called for before this, had I not have waited for some papers which I expected from North Carolina. while at home the summer past I wrote to the clerk of the House of Commons requesting him to send me such vouchers, as I thought would be necessary to support your claim. among those written for was a resolution allowing your pay as attorney for the district of Mero. since my arrival at this place, I have received his answer, in which he says there is no such resolution in the Journal of the house. On the receipt of his letter I immediately wrote to the Treasurer and Comptroller of North Carolina requesting them, if there was any record in either of their offices, that you had been paid by No. Carolina for acting as attorney in Mero district, to send me a certified copy of such record. from neither of these I have not yet received a line in answer to mine, though I now expect it every week. If no answer should be received, or if an unfavorable should be, I shall in either case, call up the report, and depend on the appointment for supporting the claim. a certificate from them, that you had been paid, would I think secure the claim. I shall endeavor to get a determination this session, and as soon as this is done you shall be notified thereof.

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Believing the claim to be just, it will not want my support. You have not said in yours by what authority or by what officer you were paid. I wish you had have been more particular on these.

I am Sir Yr. most Obt. Sevt.